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DURING A BATTLE BETWEEN SONIC THE HEDGEHOG AND DR. EGGMAN, AN EXPLOSION HURLED SONIC, HIS FRIENDS, AND DR. EGGMAN OFF THEIR HOMEWORLD AND ACROSS DIMENSIONS UNTIL THEY FOUND THEMSELVES ON PLANET EARTH. NOW SONIC PROTECTS OUR PLANET FROM THE SCHEMES OF THE MAMMOTH MEGALOMANIAC.

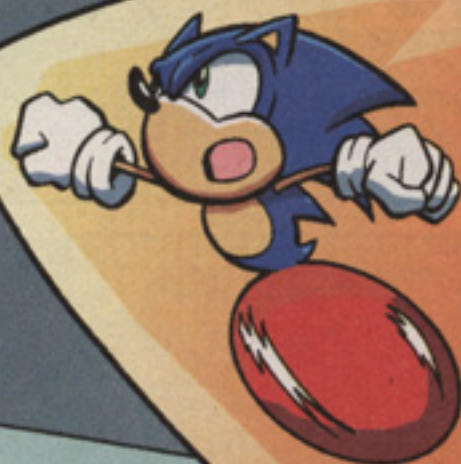


WELCOME TO THE STATION SQUARE SPACE MUSEUM.

SECONDS TO LAUNCH:
7...6...5...

IN LESS THAN FIVE SECONDS, THE BIG SCARY ROBOT IS GOING TO LAUNCH TWO MISSILES AT SONIC THE HEDGEHOG.

SONIC WOULD PREFER NOT TO GET BLOWN UP, SO BEFORE THE MISSILES CAN BE LAUNCHED, HE INTENDS TO TRASH THE RAMPAGING ROBOT...



BOISTEROUS BOT BATTLE!

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WHAT SONIC DOESN'T KNOW IS THAT HIS BEST (HUMAN) FRIEND, CHRIS THORNDYKE, IS TRAPPED INSIDE THE ROBOT RECEIVING ORDERS FROM DR. EGGMAN.

SECONDS TO LAUNCH:
4...3...2...



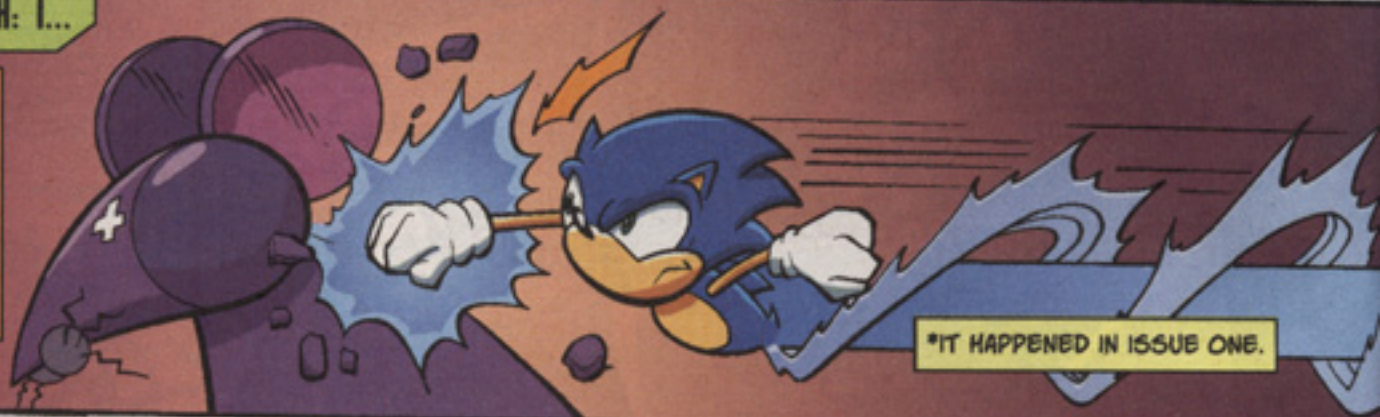
SECONDS TO LAUNCH: 1...

LET'S STOP THE
CLOCK HERE AND
BRING EVERYBODY
UP TO SPEED!



SECONDS TO LAUNCH: 1...

WHEN SONIC
DEFEATED
EGGMAN'S PLOT
TO STEAL MONEY
FROM THE TWELFTH
NATIONAL BANK
OF STATION
SQUARE, INC.*



*IT HAPPENED IN ISSUE ONE.

SECONDS TO LAUNCH: 1...

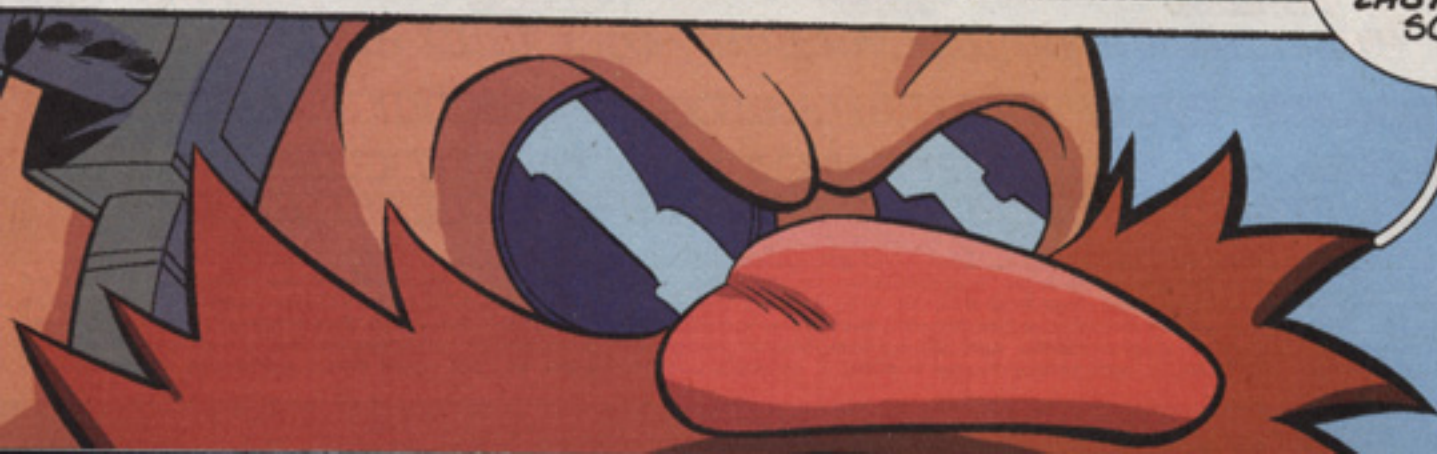
EGGMAN STOLE SOME
OF SONIC'S RINGS AND
USED THEM TO POWER A
PAIR OF DESTRUCTIVE
DRAGONBOTS.

SONIC AND HIS FRIENDS
DEFEATED THE DRAGONBOTS,
FURTHER ANNOYING EGGMAN.*



YOU'VE
ANNOYED ME
FOR THE
LAST TIME,
SONIC!

*IT HAPPENED IN
ISSUE TWO.



SECONDS TO LAUNCH: 1...

...THE PRESIDENT...

SO EGGMAN SET INTO ACTION HIS MOST NEFARIOUS SCHEME EVER, TRAPPING SONIC'S FRIENDS INSIDE DEADLY ROBOTS*, INCLUDING...

...SAM SPEED...

WHAT...

...IS...

*IT HAPPENED IN ISSUE THREE.

...GOVERNMENT AGENT TOPAZ...

...HAPPENING...

...CHRIS'S TEACHER, MR. STEWART, (WHO IS ALSO A GOVERNMENT AGENT)...

...TO...

...AND CHRIS HIMSELF!

...ME?!

CALLING ALL BOTS!
DESTROY SONIC NOW!

DR. EGGMAN IS FORCING THE HAPLESS, HELPLESS HUMANS TRAPPED INSIDE HIS ROBOTS TO FOLLOW HIS EVIL ORDERS!

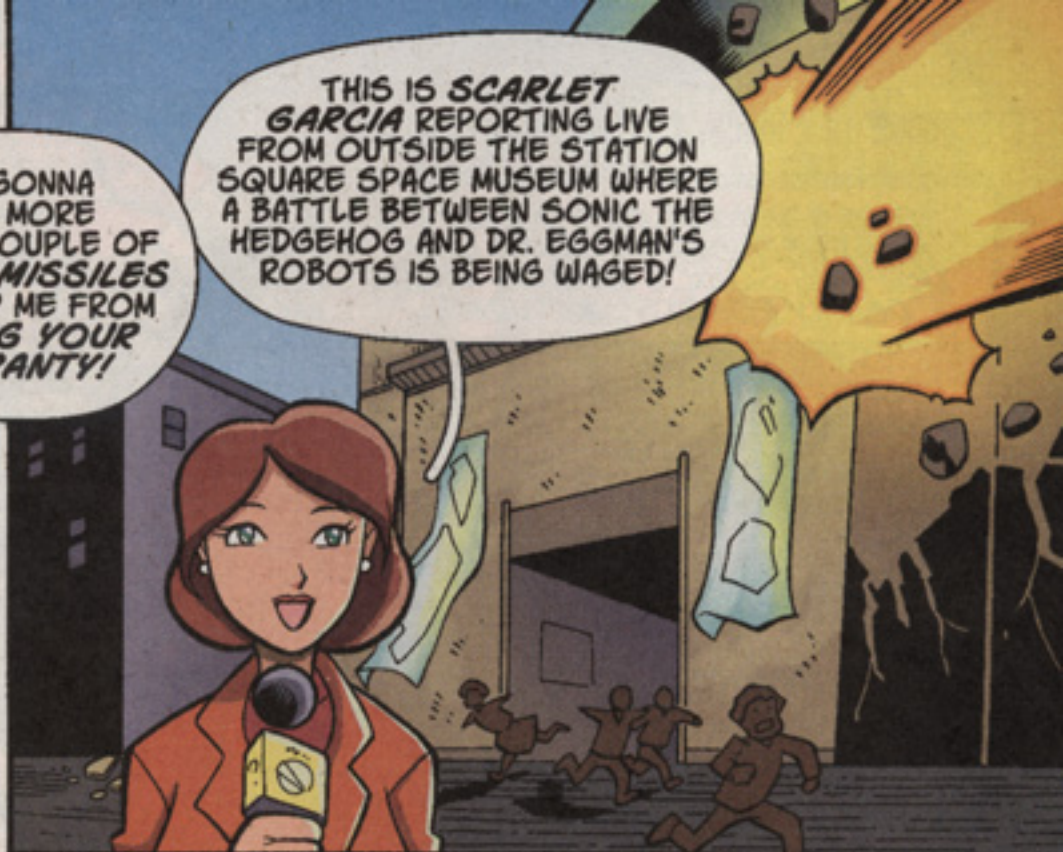
HOW CAN SONIC SAVE HIMSELF WITHOUT HURTING HIS FRIENDS...?



IT'S GONNA
TAKE MORE
THAN A COUPLE OF
MEASLY MISSILES
TO STOP ME FROM
**VOIDING YOUR
WARRANTY!**

AND NOW
WE'LL START
THE CLOCK
TICKING AGAIN.
HOLD ON
TIGHT--THERE'S
NO SLOWING
DOWN FROM
HERE!

SECONDS TO LAUNCH: 0...
MISSILES LAUNCHED!



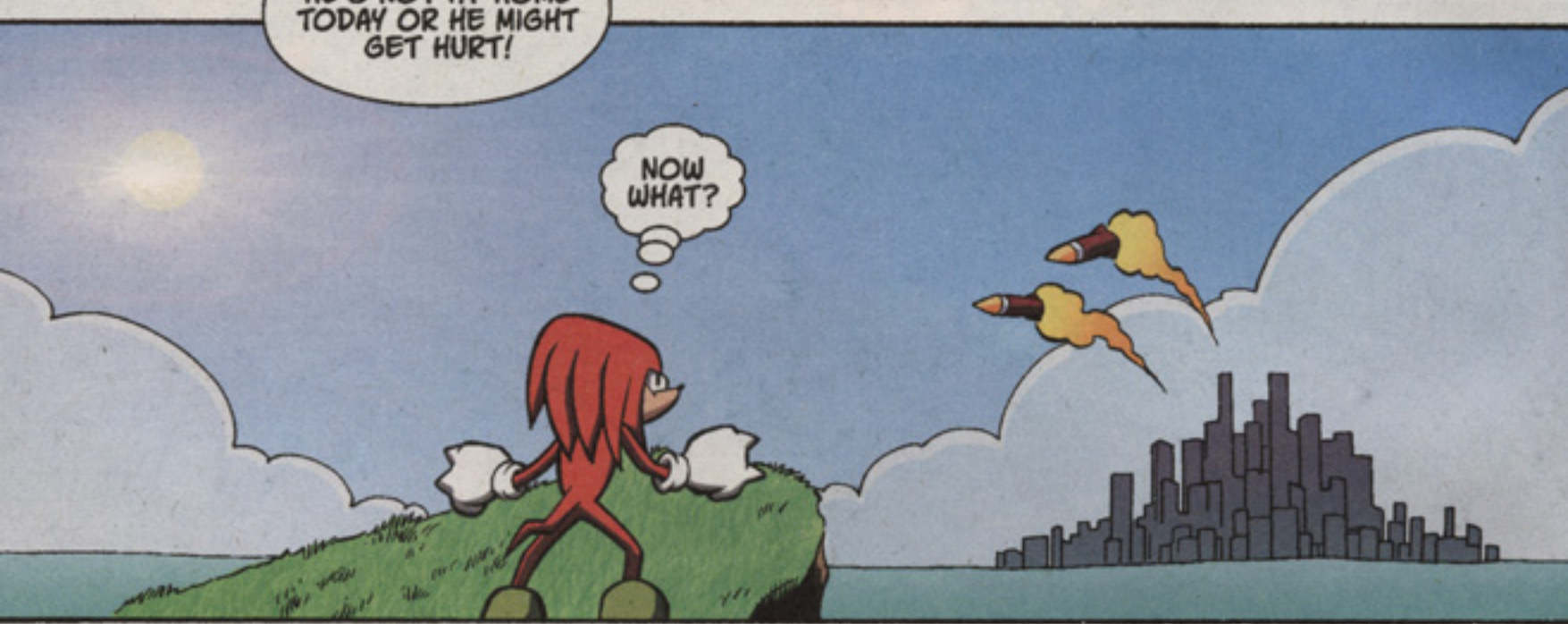
THIS IS **SCARLET
GARCIA** REPORTING LIVE
FROM OUTSIDE THE STATION
SQUARE SPACE MUSEUM WHERE
A BATTLE BETWEEN SONIC THE
HEDGEHOG AND DR. EGGMAN'S
ROBOTS IS BEING WAGED!



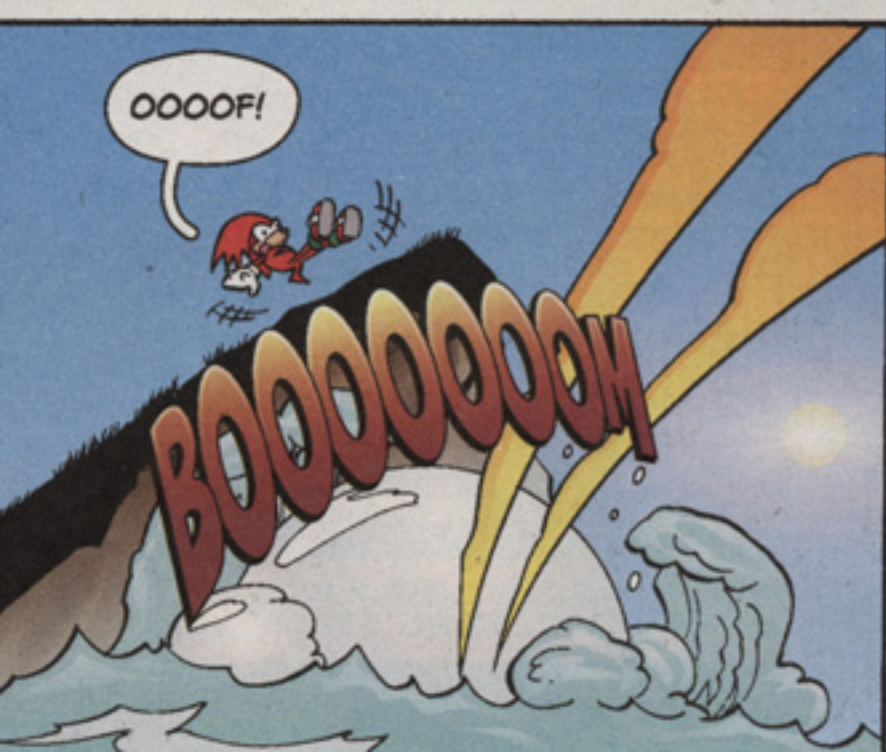
TWO MISSILES
HAVE JUST BLASTED
THROUGH THE ROOF
OF THE MUSEUM,
NARROWLY MISSING
A POLICE
HELICOPTER.

THE
MISSILES
ARE HEADING
TOWARD **ANGEL
ISLAND**, HOME OF
**KNUCKLES THE
ECHIDNA**.

LET'S HOPE
HE'S NOT AT HOME
TODAY OR HE MIGHT
GET HURT!



NOW
WHAT?

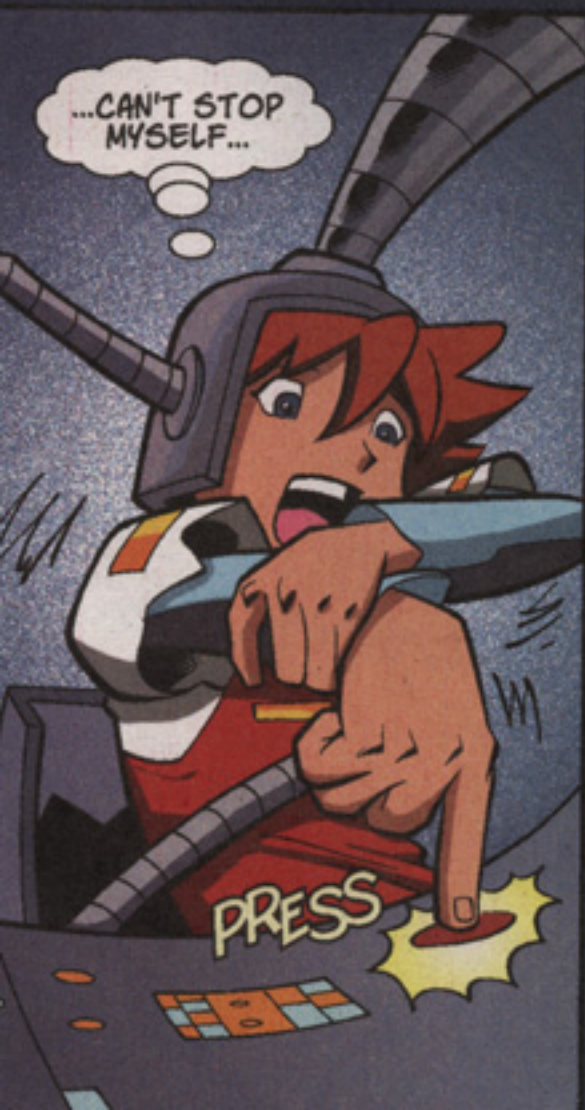
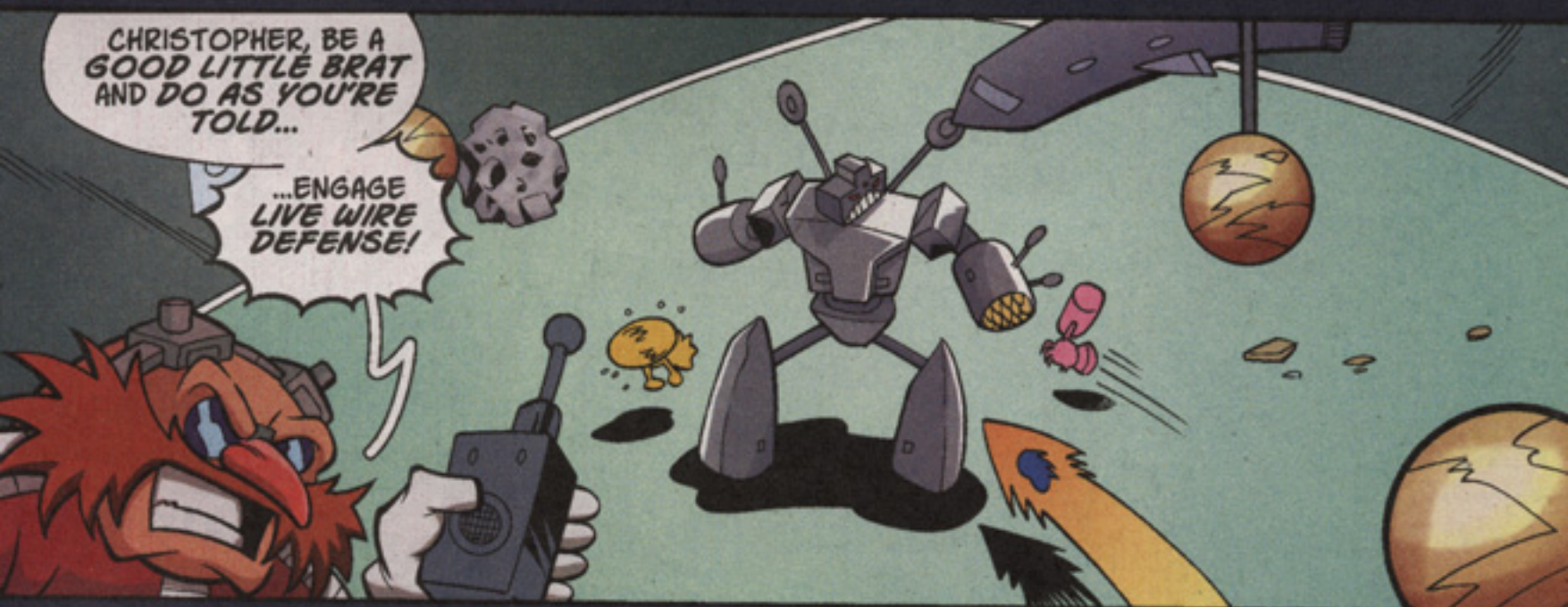
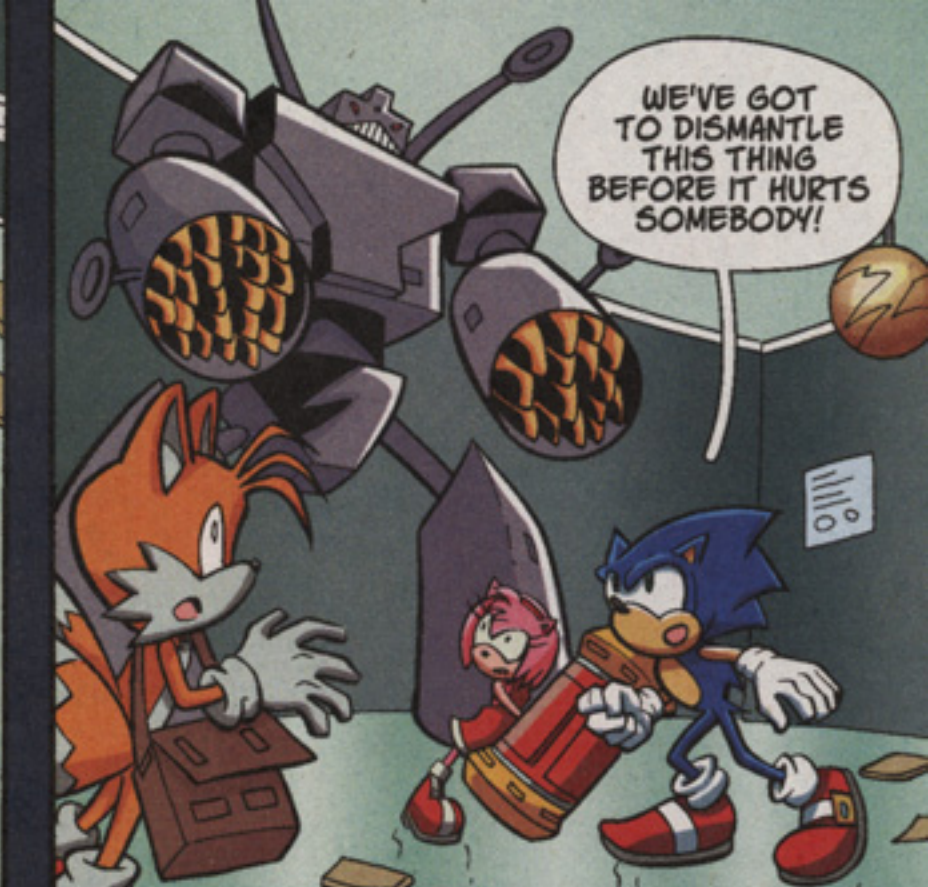
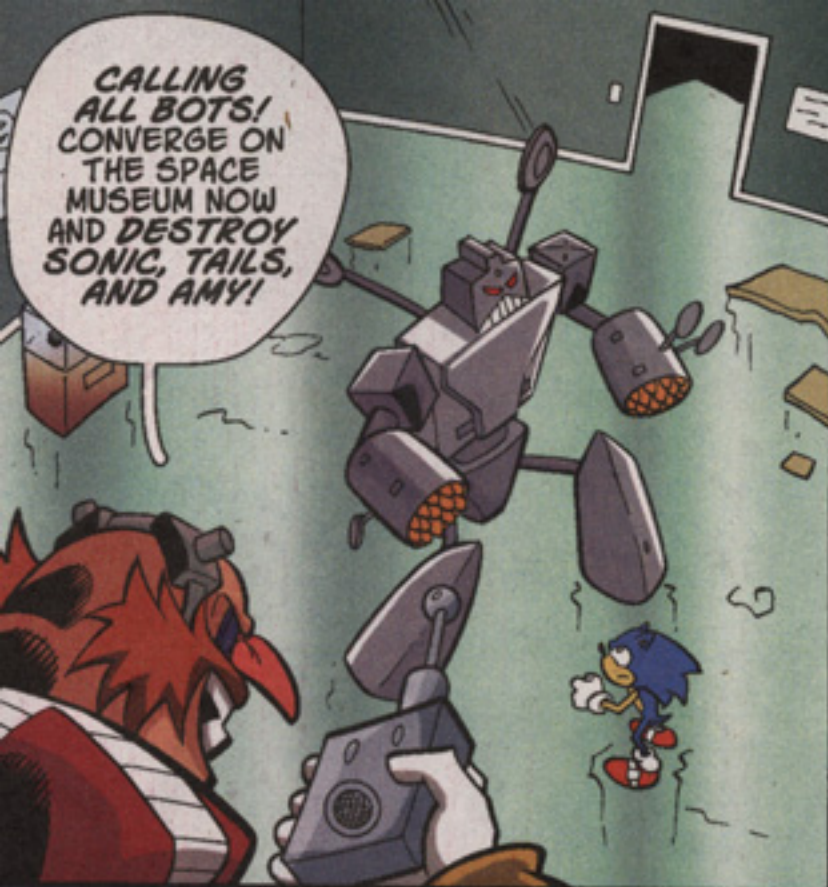


OOOOOF!

BOOOOOOOON



SONIC AND
EGGMAN MUST
BE AT IT
AGAIN!



AH,
MY MENACING
MECHANOIDS! IT'S
ABOUT TIME YOU
ARRIVED!

NOW RID THIS
PLANET OF MY ENEMIES SO
THAT I MAY BECOME EARTH'S
UNDISPUTED RULER!

HAHAHA
HAHAHA!

...GOT TO
FIND...

...A WAY
TO...

...WARN
SONIC!

YIKES!

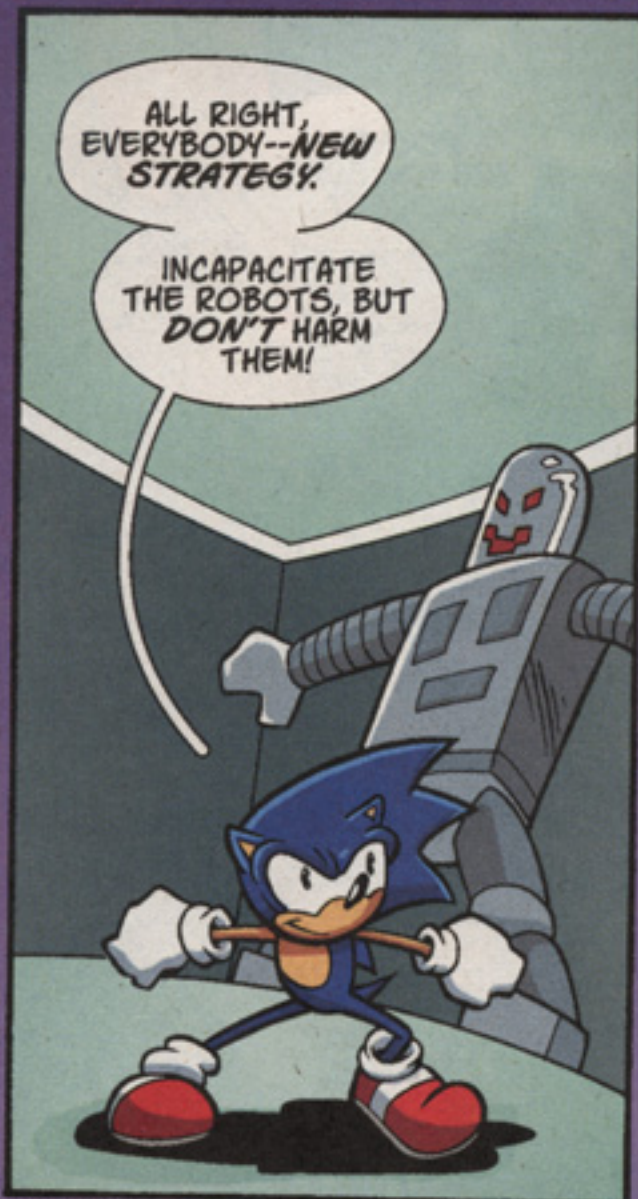
OH MY!

GUYS,
WE CAN'T
LOSE OUR
HEADS.

WE'VE
GOT TO PULL
THE PLUGS
ON THESE 'BOTS
ONCE AND FOR
ALL!

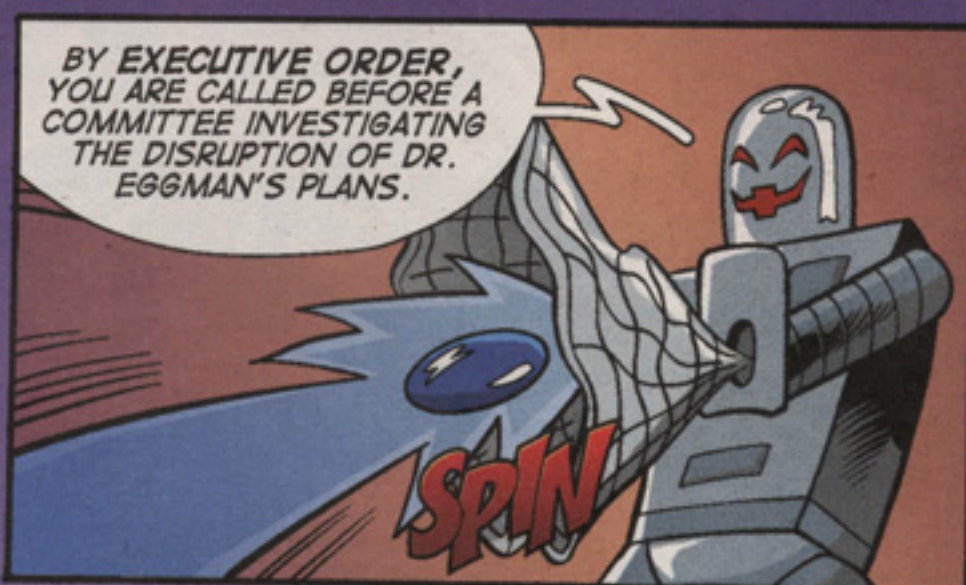






ALL RIGHT,
EVERYBODY--NEW
STRATEGY.

INCAPACITATE
THE ROBOTS, BUT
DON'T HARM
THEM!



BY EXECUTIVE ORDER,
YOU ARE CALLED BEFORE A
COMMITTEE INVESTIGATING
THE DISRUPTION OF DR.
EGGMAN'S PLANS.



RESISTANCE
IS USELESS!

TOPAZ! STOP!
WE'RE YOUR
FRIENDS!

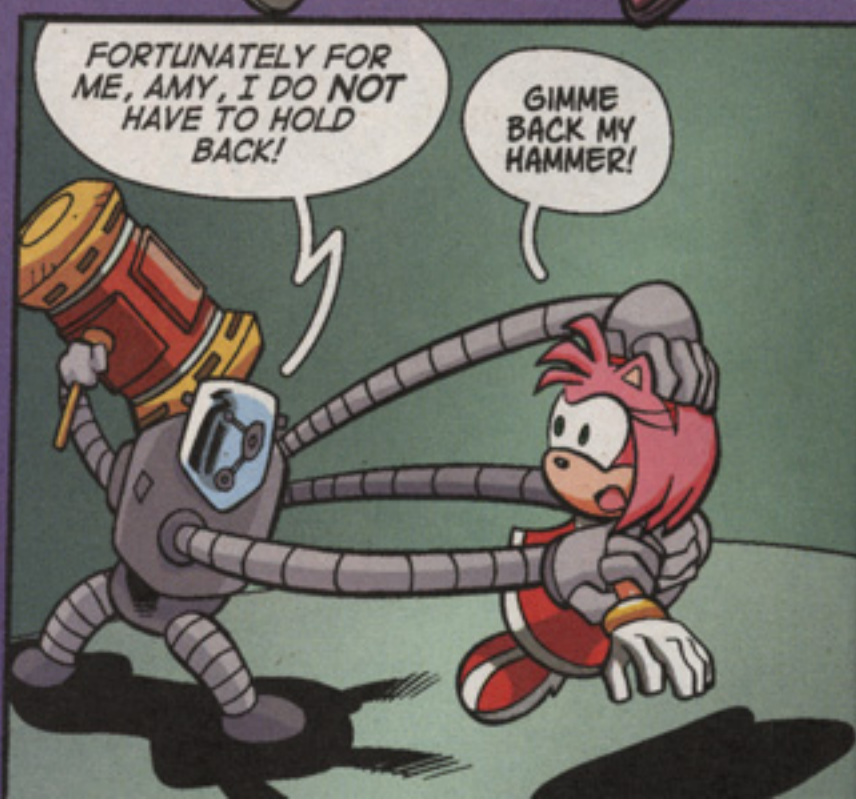


YOU CANNOT
ESCAPE THE LONG ARM
OF DR. EGGMAN'S
LAW!

HEY! THAT
HURTS!

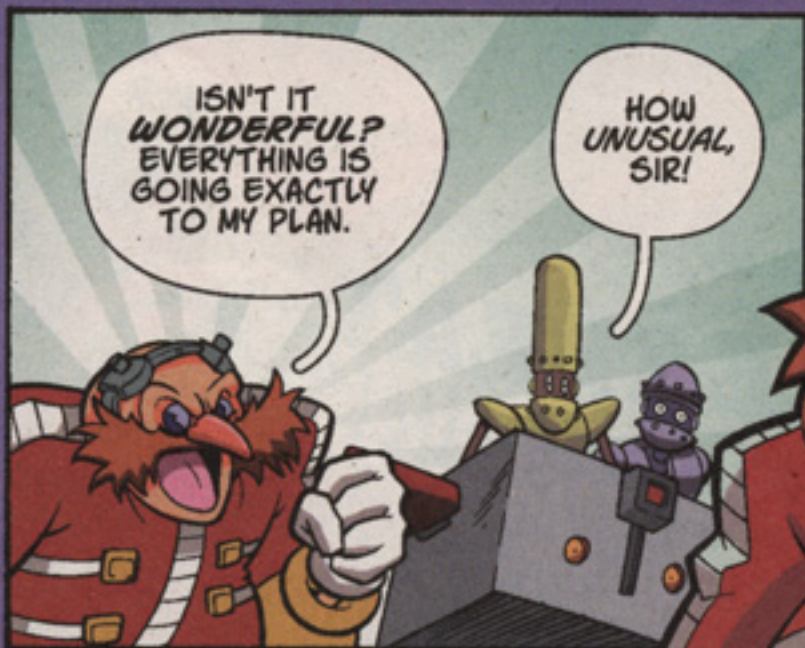
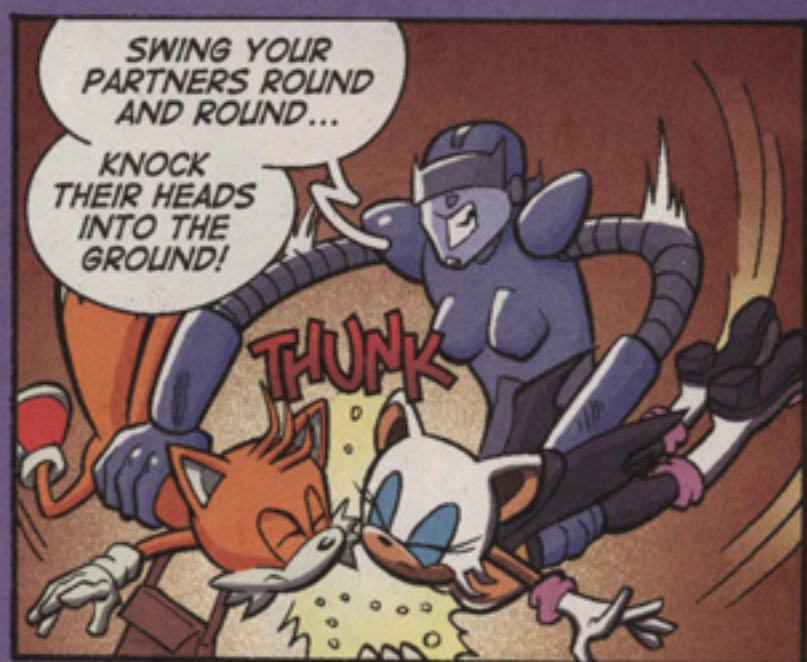
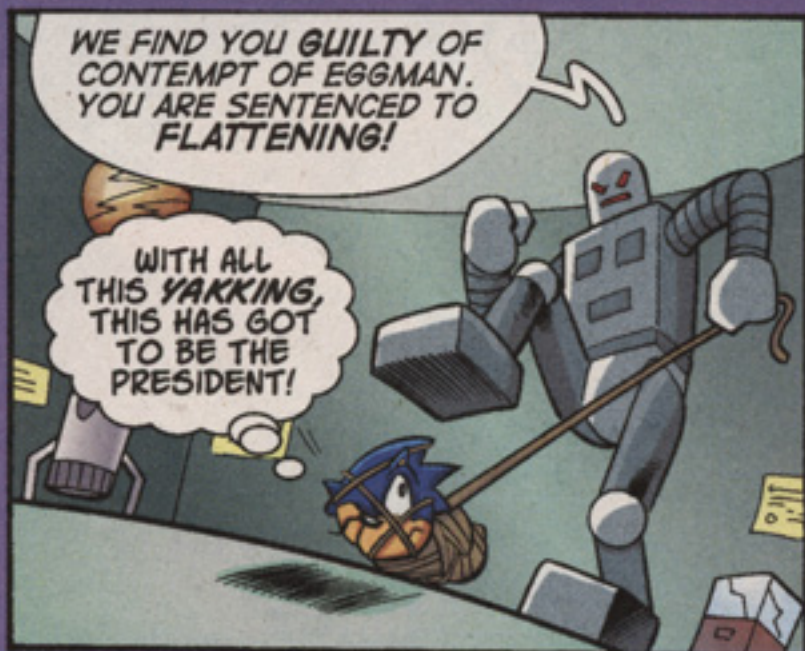
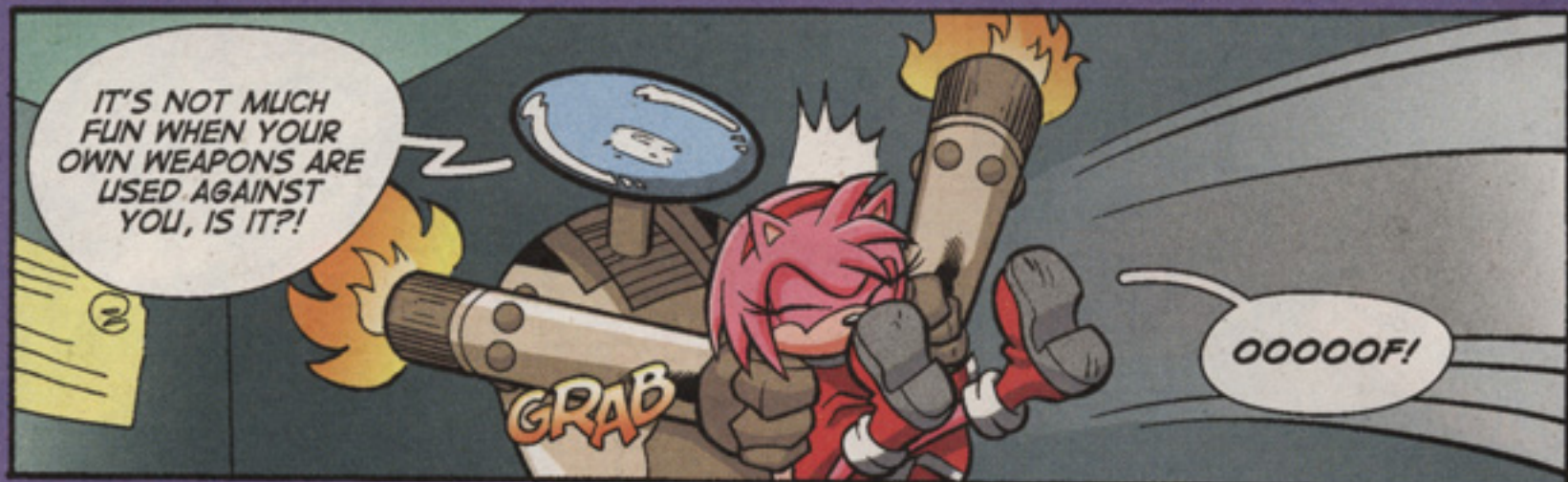
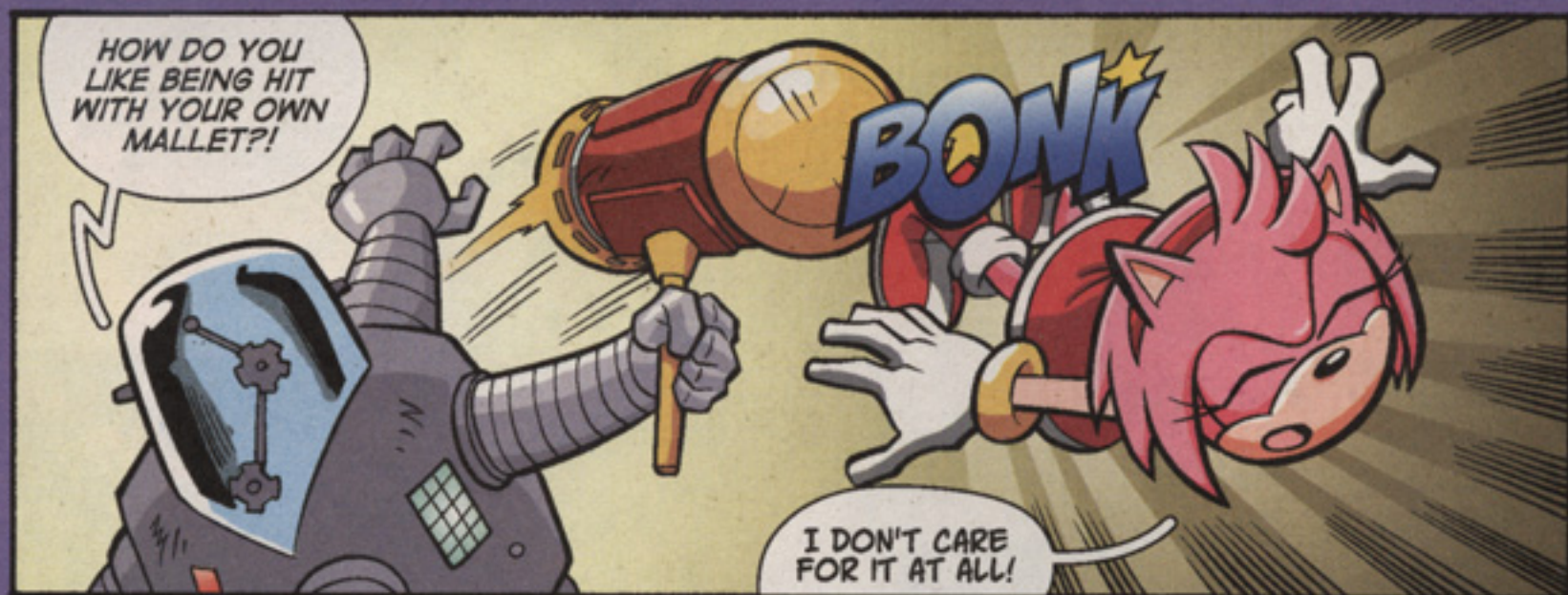


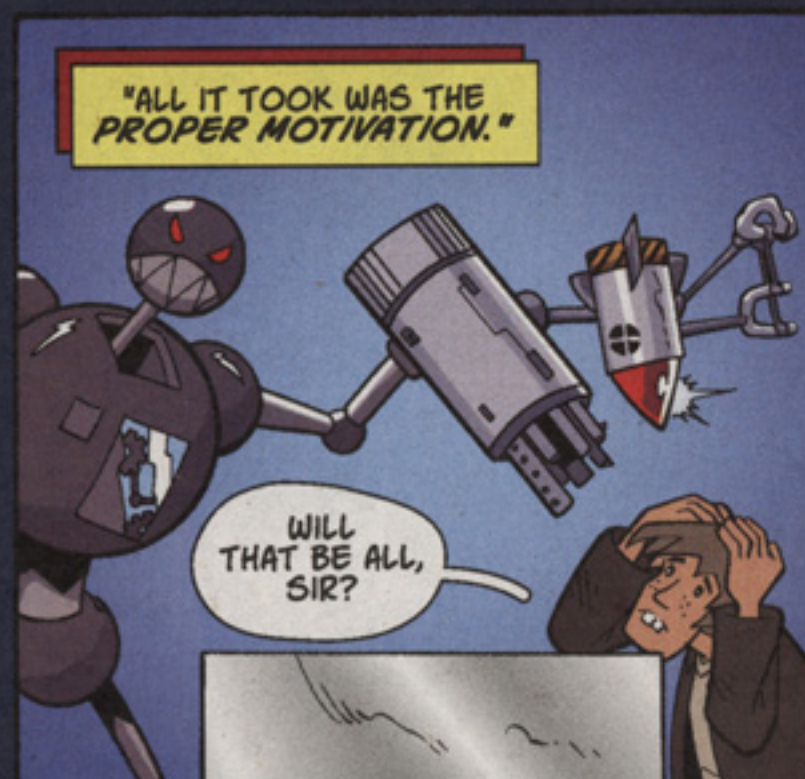
YOU'RE LUCKY
I HAVE TO HOLD BACK,
YOU TINPOT BOT!

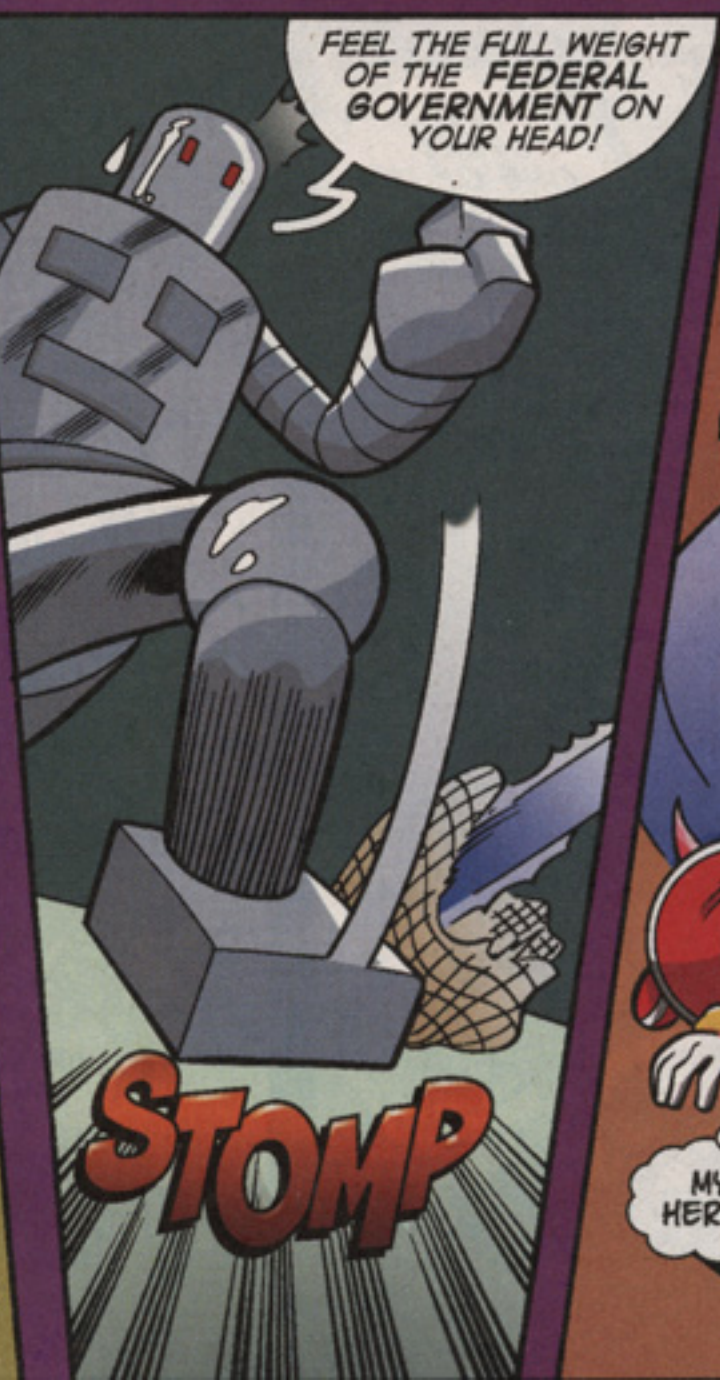
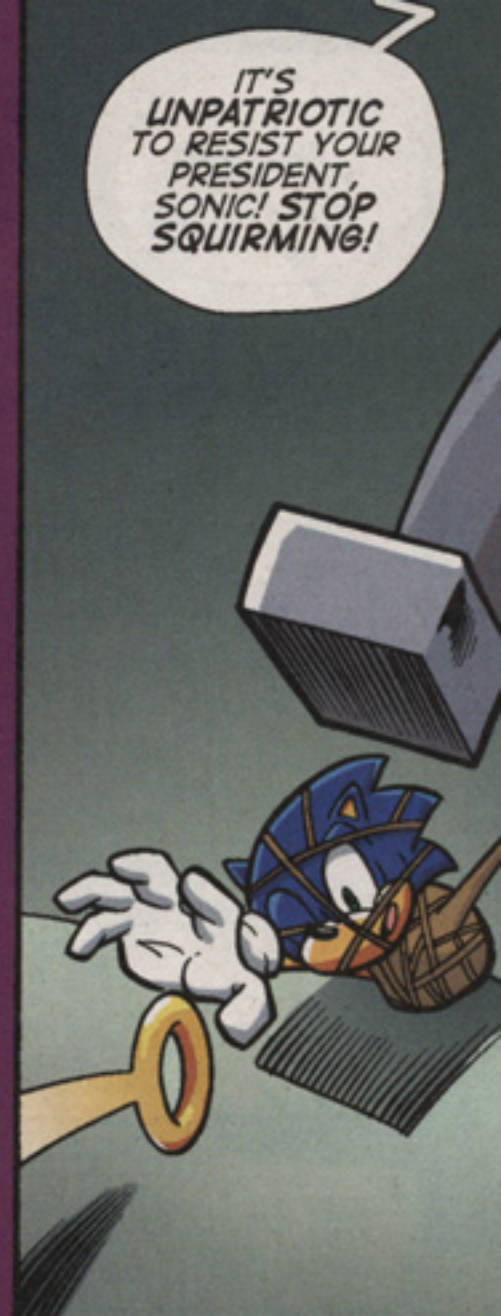


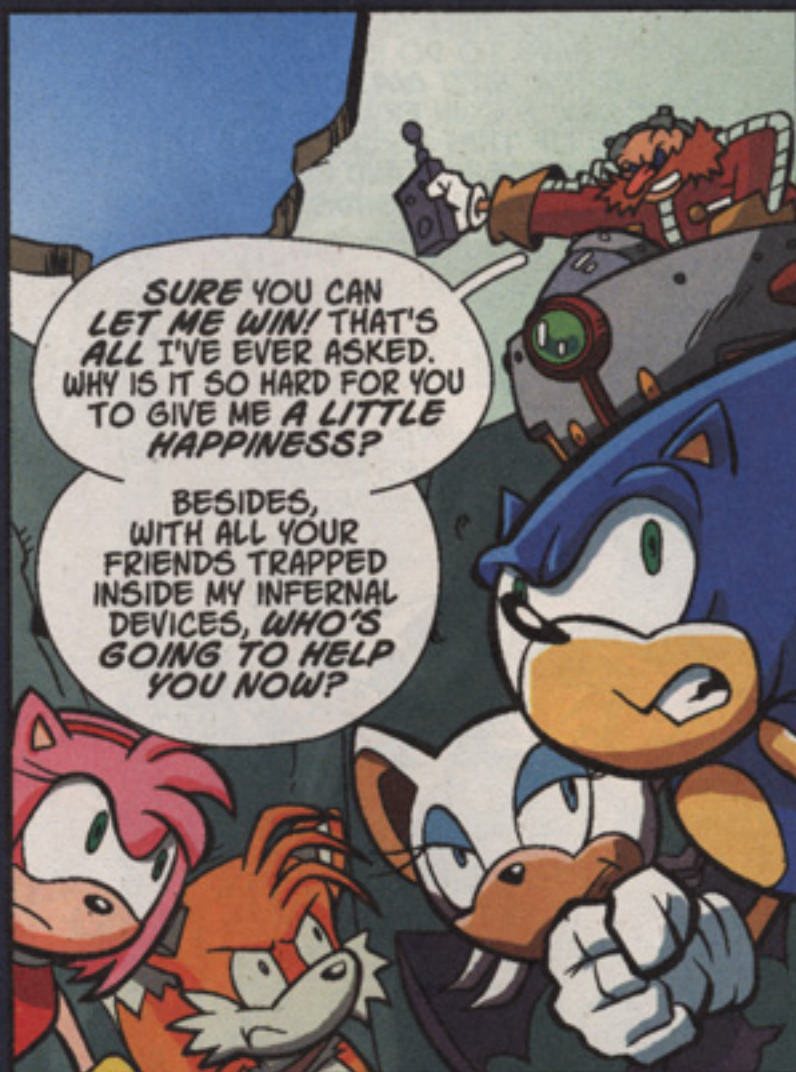
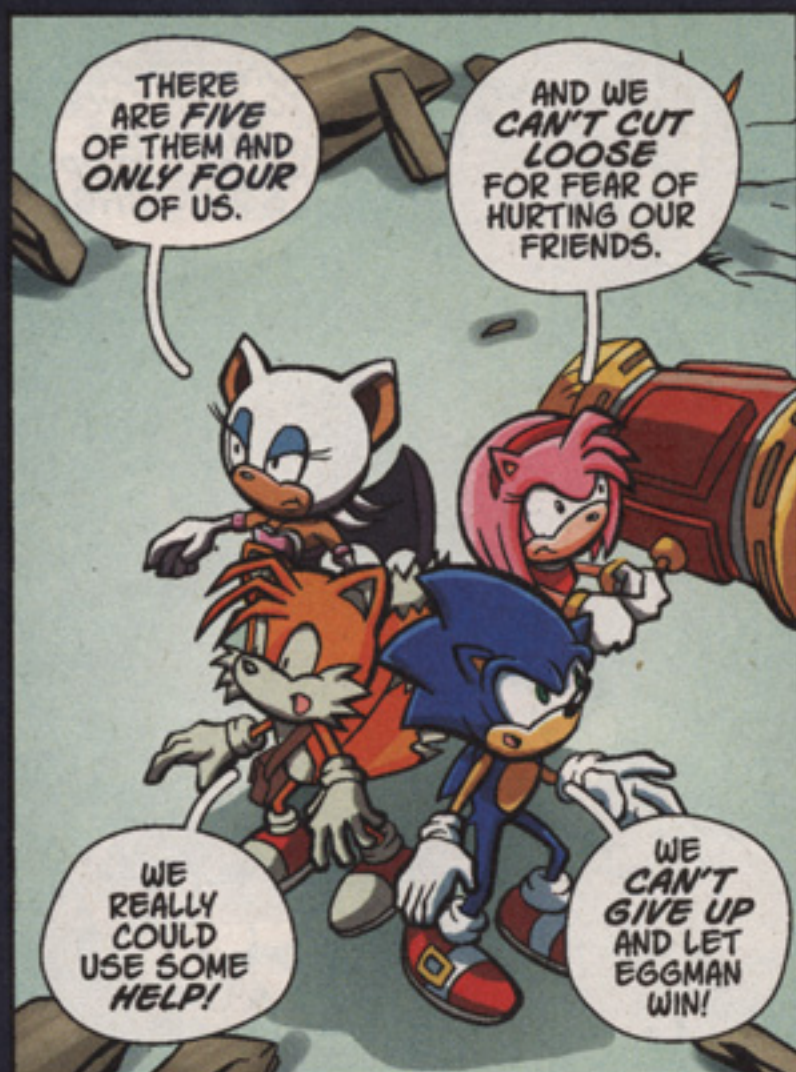
FORTUNATELY FOR
ME, AMY, I DO NOT
HAVE TO HOLD
BACK!

GIMME
BACK MY
HAMMER!









CHRIS IS TRAPPED INSIDE
THAT ROBOT, MAYBE I CAN
GET THROUGH TO HIM.

I'LL TAKE TOPAZ,
EVEN UNDER EGGMAN'S
CONTROL, I CAN'T BELIEVE
SHE'D HURT ME...

AMY, YOU FILL
IN KNUCKLES AND
CHUCK AND TAKE
ON THE OTHER
'BOTS.

WHAT
ABOUT ME,
SONIC?

EGGMAN'S GOT
A DEVICE HE'S USING
TO CONTROL THE
ROBOTS, TAILS.

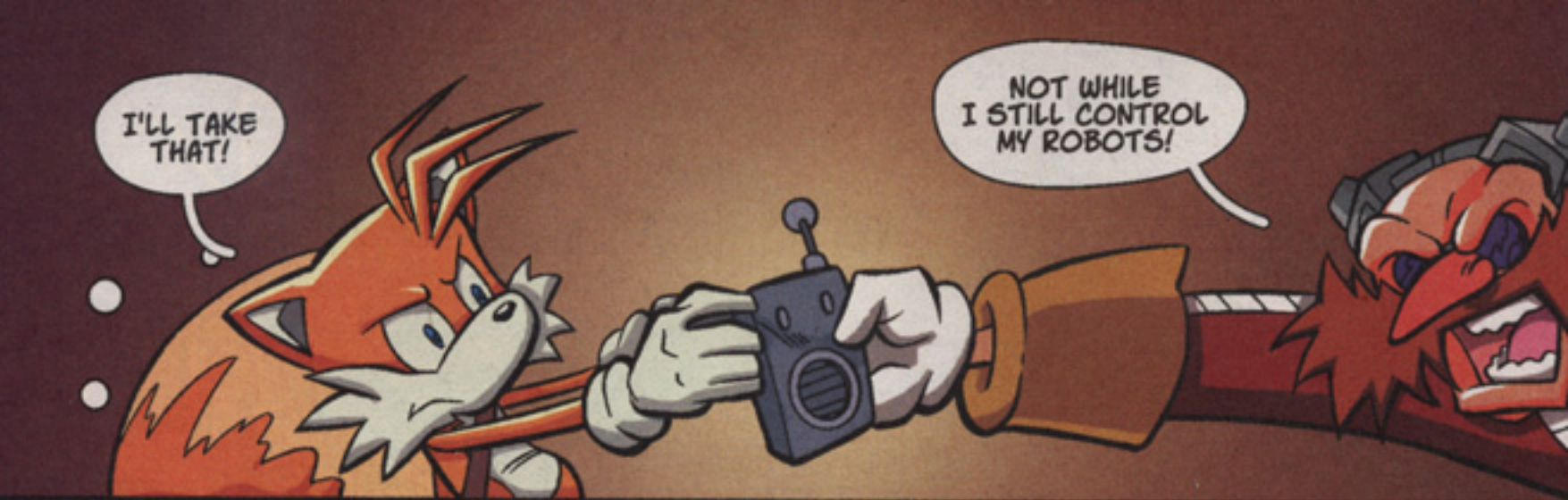
YOU'VE GOT
TO GET IT AWAY
FROM HIM.

ALL RIGHT,
MOVE OUT!

THIS IS
GOING TO BE
SO MUCH
FUN!

GIVE
YOUR FURRY
FRIEND A ROUND
OF APPLAUSE,
CHRISTOPHER!

CLAP



I'LL TAKE THAT!

NOT WHILE I STILL CONTROL MY ROBOTS!



THE RING'S WEARING OFF...

...AND I'M NOT STRONG ENOUGH TO BREAK FREE!



MR. PRESIDENT, YOUR MOST VALUABLE CONSTITUENT NEEDS YOUR ASSISTANCE!



ALWAYS GLAD TO SERVE THE VOTERS!

I'D VOTE FOR YOU IF I COULD!



HEE HEE HEE HEE!

SQUASH HIM, CHRISTOPHER!

SQUASH SONIC LIKE THE BOTHERSOME BLUE BUGSNOT HE IS!

ONE OF DR. EGGMAN'S ROBOTS HAS JUST FLOWN OUT OF THE MUSEUM, MILES PROWER--COMMONLY KNOWN AS TAILS--IN ITS GRASP.

THE X-TORNADO IS GIVING CHASE, WHICH MAKES US WONDER WHO IS PILOTING TAILS'S FAMOUS SHIP?



INSIDE THE X-TORNADO, CHRIS'S GRANDFATHER STEERS THE SHIP LIKE A MASTER.

HURRY, PROFESSOR! YOU HAVE TO SAVE TAILS!

CHAO! CHAO!



I'M GIVING IT ALL I'VE GOT. IF I GIVE IT ANY MORE, IT'S GOING TO BLOW!



DON'T DO IT, BUDDY.

YOU'RE STRONGER THAN EGGMAN ANY DAY!



YOU MUST FOLLOW MY ORDERS!

SQUASH HIM!

...DON'T... WANT TO... HURT... MY BEST FRIEND!



ELSEWHERE IN THE MUSEUM...

TOPAZ, I KNOW YOU'RE INSIDE THAT THING AND IT MAKES YOUR BUTT LOOK BIG!

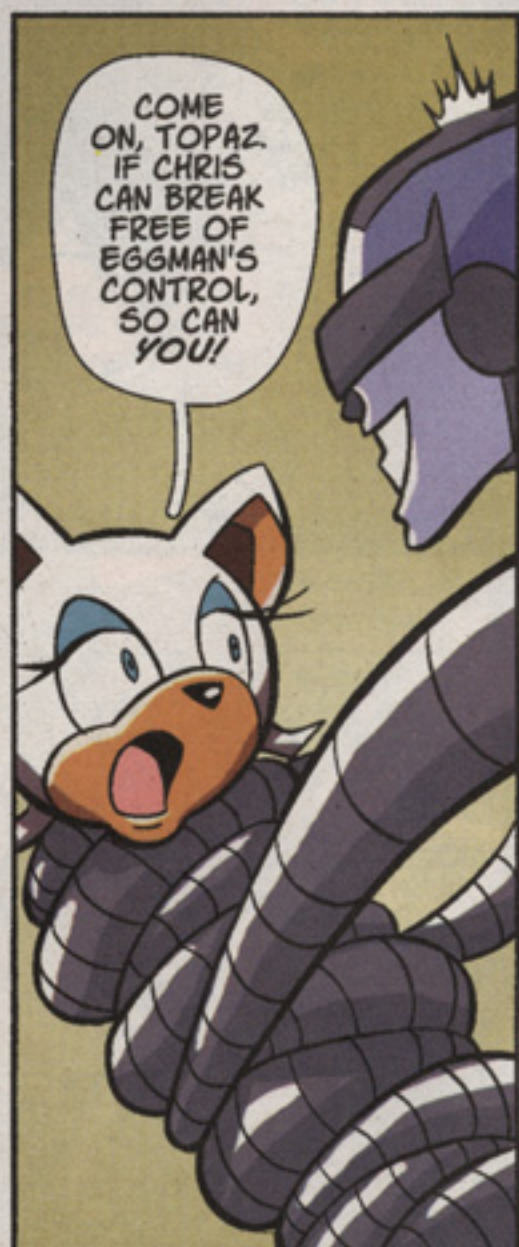
ONLY A FRIEND WOULD BE THAT HONEST WITH YOU, SO PLEASE DON'T HURT ME!

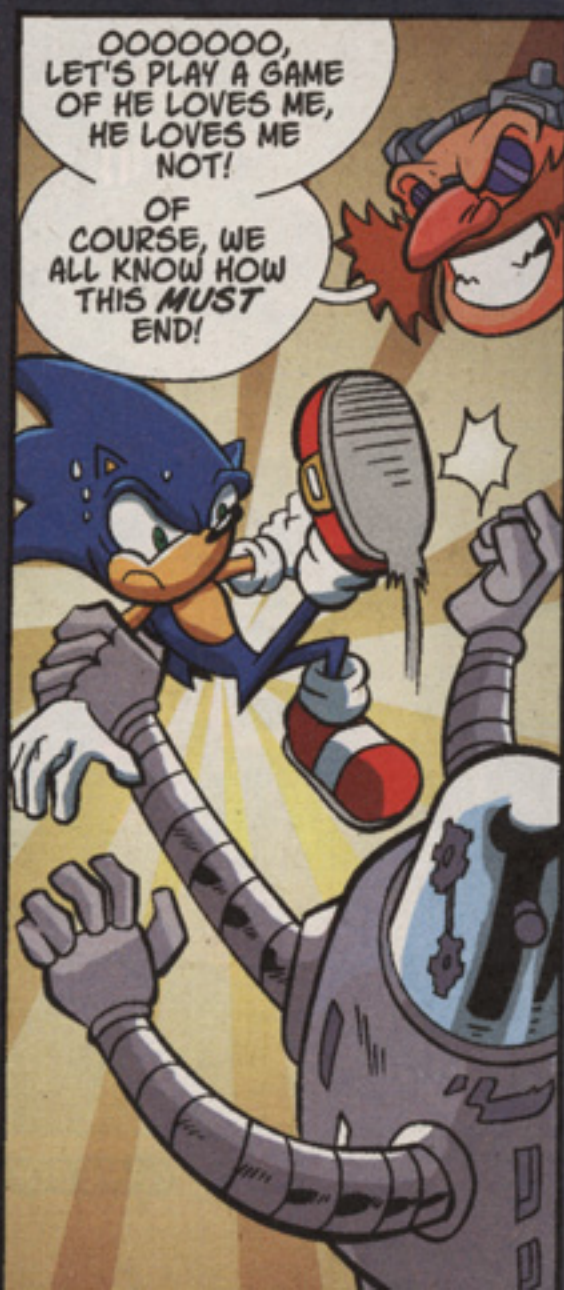


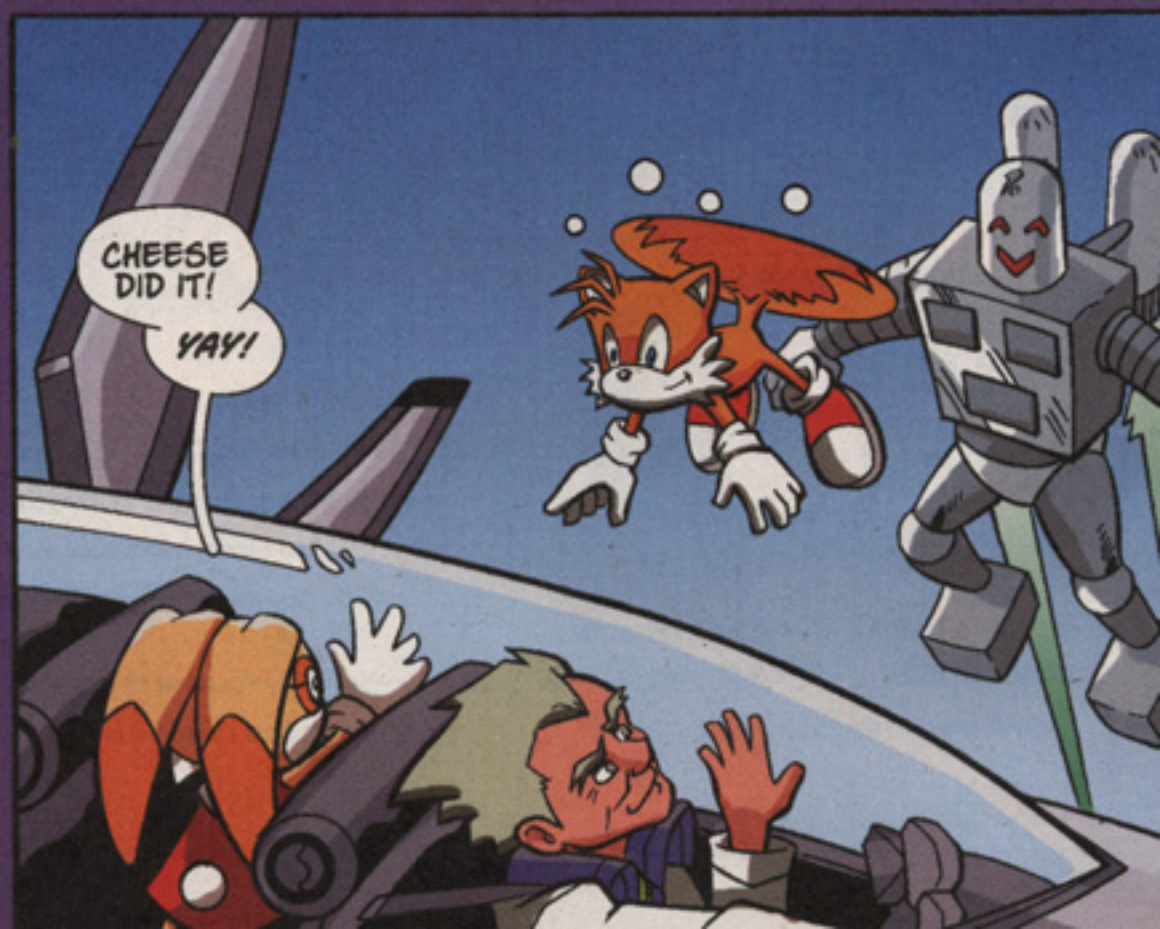
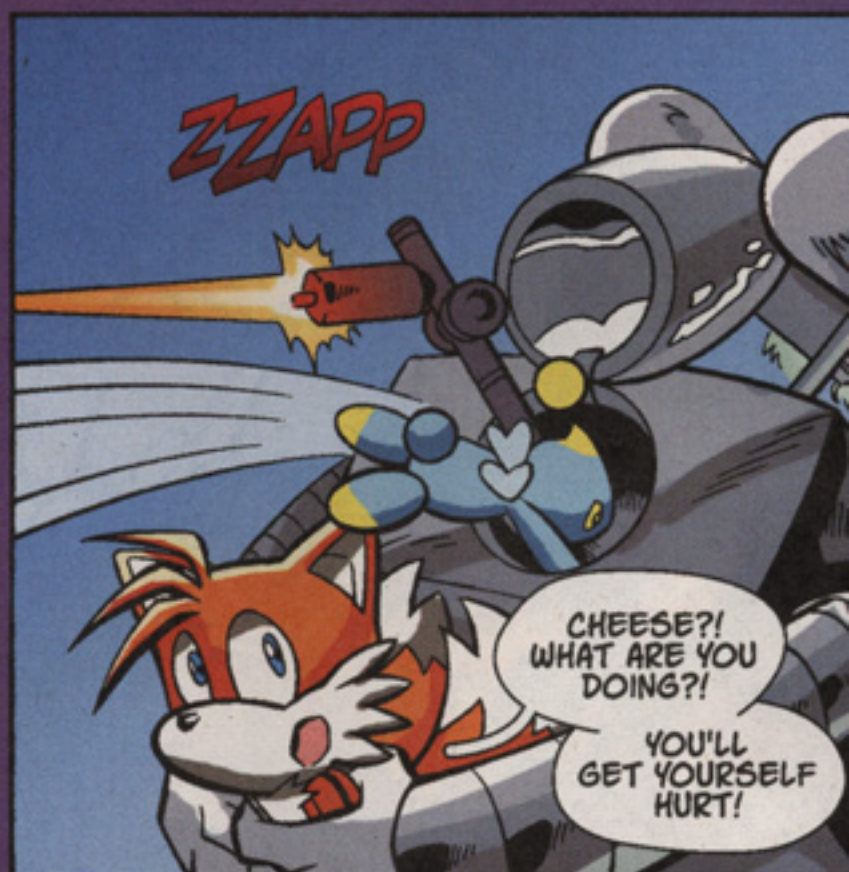
CHRIS! THINK ABOUT WHAT YOU'RE DOING!

THINK OF HOW MANY TIMES SONIC HAS SAVED YOUR LIFE!











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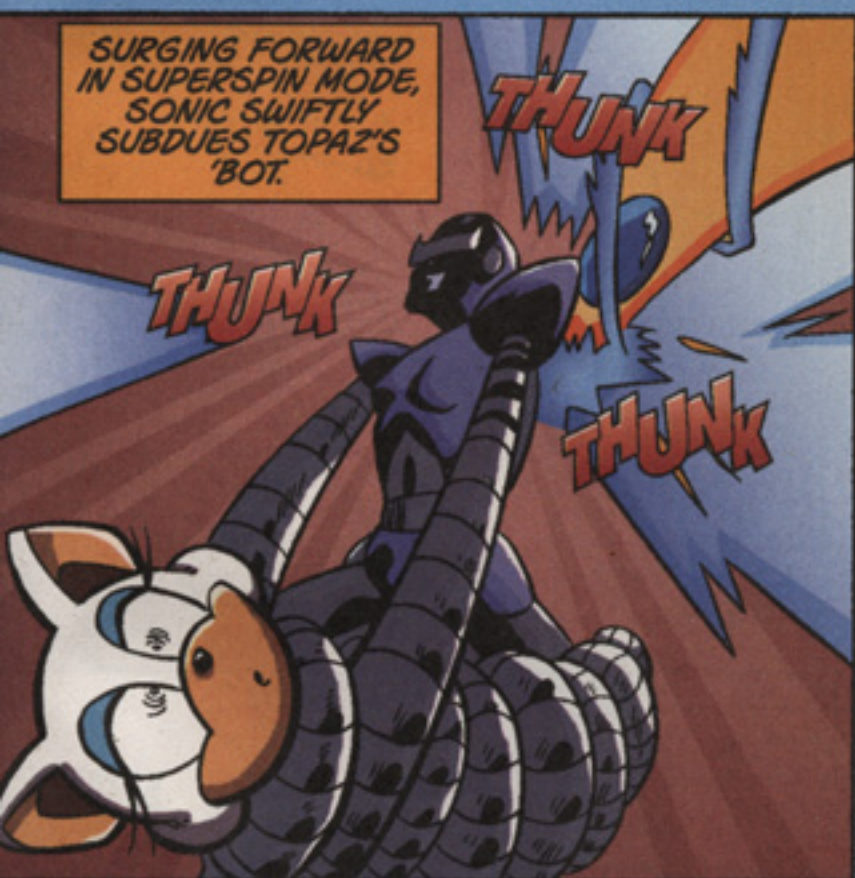
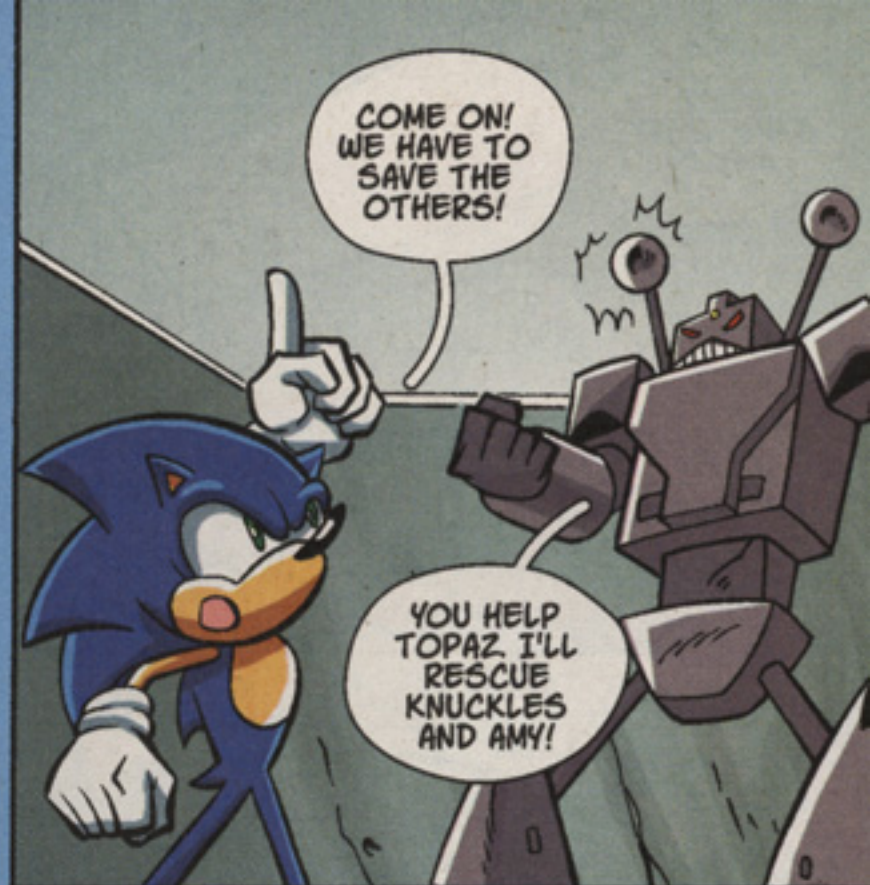
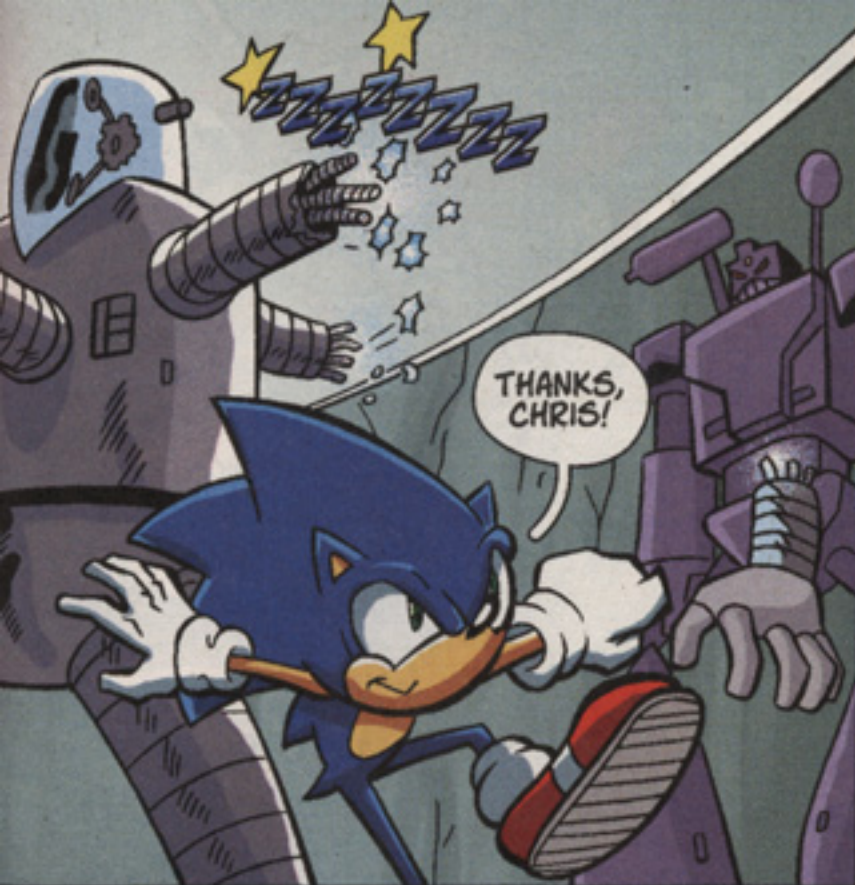
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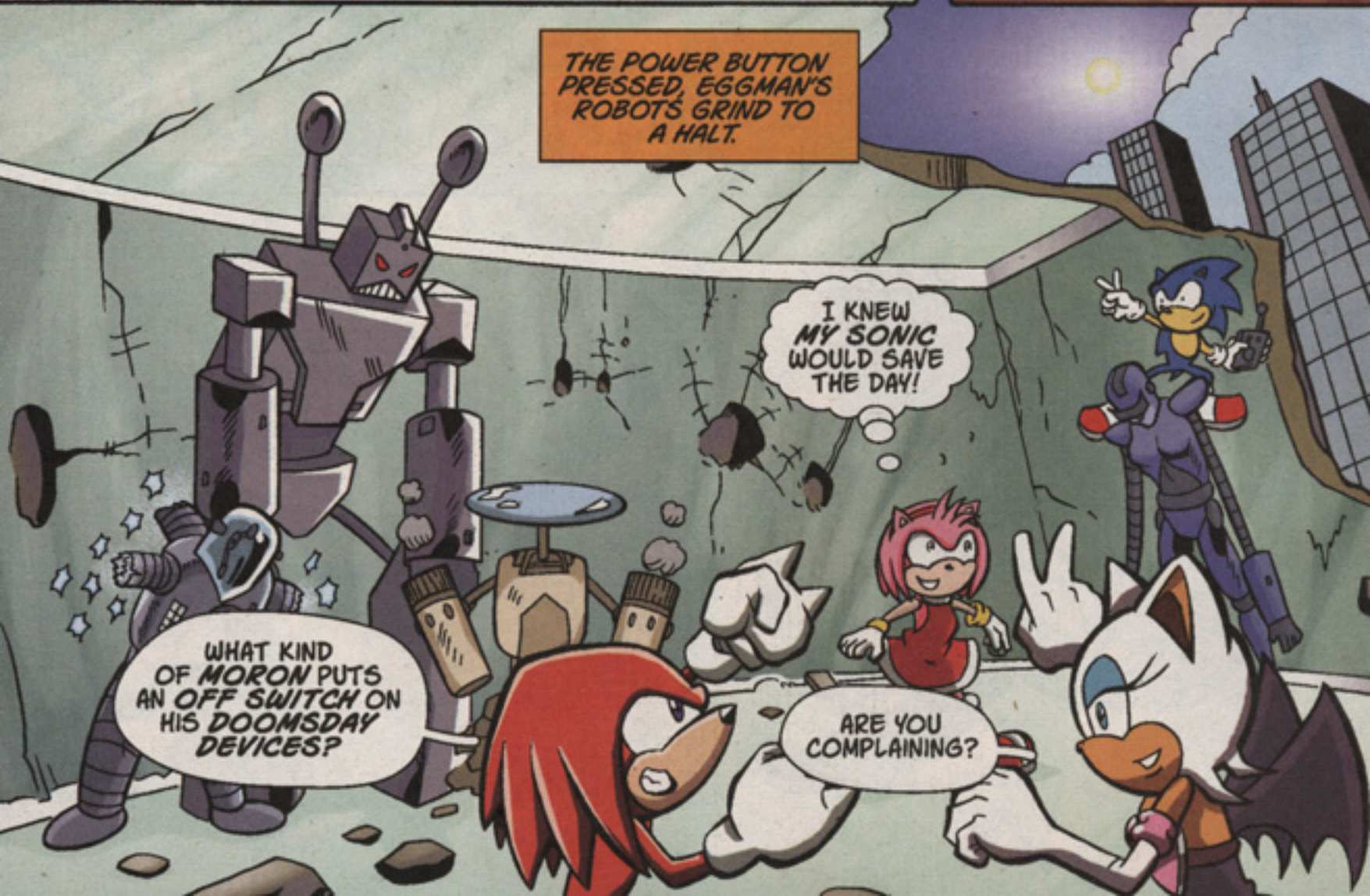
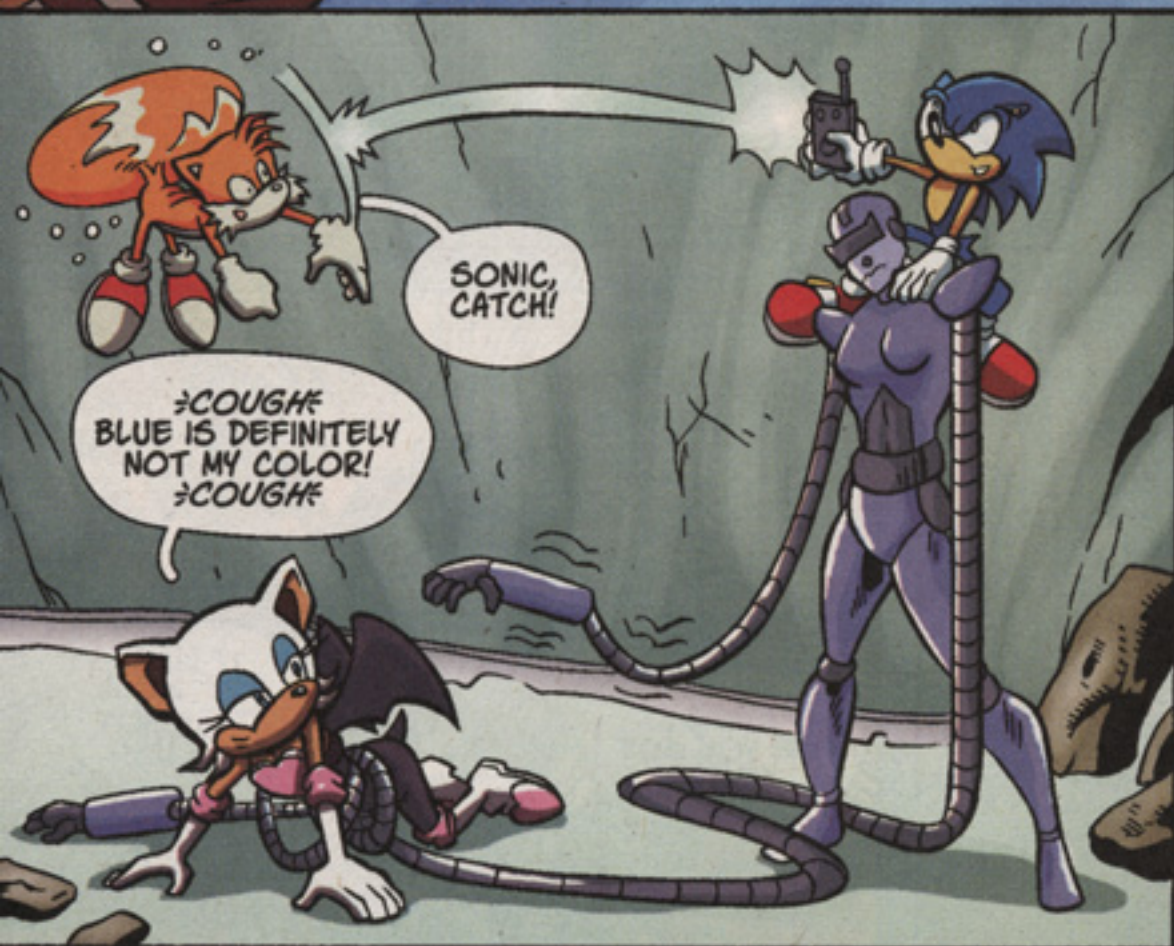
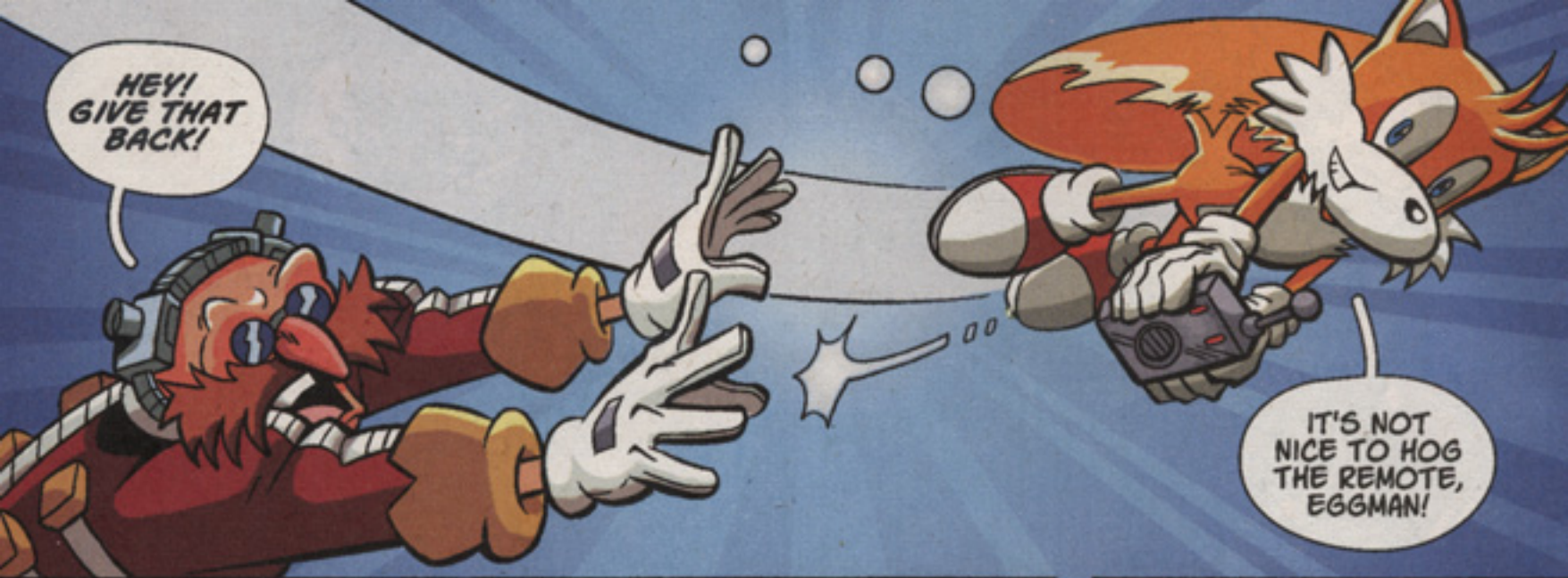
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PUT AN END TO
THIS SCHEME.

BEAT IT, EGGMAN!
I'VE SHUT DOWN YOUR
'BOTS AND YOU CAN'T USE
MY FRIENDS TO ATTACK
ME ANY MORE.

YOU MAY
HAVE WON
THIS TIME,
SONIC!

BUT I'LL
BE BACK!
COUNT
ON IT!

AND THE CROWD
CHEERS AS SONIC AND
HIS FRIENDS COME OUT OF
THE SPACE MUSEUM.

ONCE AGAIN,
SONIC HAS **DEFEATED**
DR. EGGMAN AND
NO ONE WAS
HURT!

THIS IS SCARLET
GARCIA REPORTING.
WE NOW RETURN YOU
TO YOUR REGULAR
PROGRAMMING...

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